

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
for the

Southern District of Texas

APR 15 2019  
David J. Bradley, Clerk

United States of America

v.

Brian Alan HERRERA-Valenzuela (Y.O.B. 1993)  
Citizenship: Mexico

Case No. M-19-0831-M

Defendant(s)

## CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of April 14, 2019 in the county of Hidalgo in the  
Southern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:

## Code Section

## Offense Description

21 USC § 952  
21 USC § 841knowingly and intentionally import into the United States from Mexico  
approximately 23.16 kilograms of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled  
substance, and did knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to  
distribute approximately 23.16 kilograms of methamphetamine, a Schedule II  
controlled substance.

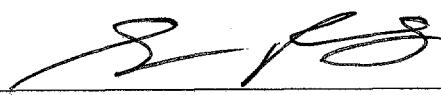
This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

See Attachment "A"

 Continued on the attached sheet.Submitted by reliable electronic means, sworn to  
and attested to telephonically per Fed. R. Cr.4.1,  
and probable cause found on:

4/15/19

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.



Complainant's signature

Shane Petrosky, HSI Special Agent

Printed name and title

Date: 04/15/20198:05 am

Judge's signature

City and state:

McAllen, Texas

U.S. Magistrate Judge Peter E. Ormsby

Printed name and title

ATTACHMENT A

On April 14, 2019, a blue Ford Five Hundred driven by Brian Alan HERRERA-Valenzuela attempted to make entry into the United States via the Hidalgo, Texas Port of Entry. At primary inspection, Customs and Border Protection Officer (CBPO) Marin Chapa questioned HERRERA-Valenzuela as to the purpose of his travel in the United States to which he replied he was traveling to Hidalgo, Texas for shopping. CBPO Chapa observed HERRERA-Valenzuela had a change in demeanor during questioning about his crossings. CBPO Chapa referred the Ford Five Hundred and HERRERA-Valenzuela to secondary inspection.

At secondary inspection, CBPO Romualdo Iglesias escorted the vehicle to the Z-Portal X-Ray machine where CBPO Aramis Rodriguez performed a non-intrusive scan of the vehicle and observed anomalies in the tires. The Ford Five Hundred was then parked in the secondary area where an intensive examination of the tires was conducted which subsequently revealed forty (40) packages containing a white crystalline substance weighing approximately 23.16 kilograms. The white crystalline substance in the packages field tested positive for the properties of methamphetamine.

HSI McAllen Special Agents conducted an interview of HERRERA-Valenzuela. During the interview HERRERA-Valenzuela stated he was the registered owner of the vehicle. HERRERA-Valenzuela further stated he knew he was transporting an unknown type or quantity of narcotics in the vehicle tires. HERRERA-Valenzuela stated he was going to be paid approximately seven thousand (\$7,000) United States Dollars for transporting the narcotics.